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To: Acquired Brain Injury (17) Provider Letter A-19

Re: **Operational Changes for ABI Waiver Members with CDO**

Dear KY Medicaid Provider:

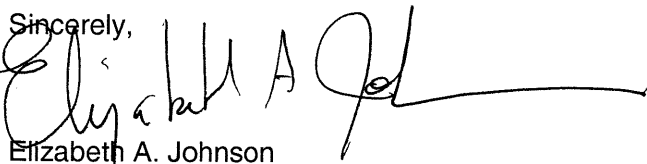
The Department for Medicaid Services (DMS) would like to inform you of the following changes that will take place on July 1, 2008, in order to better support the members in the Acquired Brain Injury waiver (ABI) who have elected the Consumer Directed Option (CDO).

1. Members who have already established a relationship with their current Area Agency on Aging (AAA) Support Broker may choose to stay with their current Support Broker or change their supports to the Community Mental Health Center (CMHC) in the region where they currently reside.
2. After July 1, 2008, all members served in the ABI program, who decide to choose CDO, will receive support broker and fiscal intermediary services from the CMHC in the region where they currently reside. The Comprehend region CMHC has opted to not service members for CDO due to the low number of members currently residing within their region. Therefore, ABI members who choose CDO will continue to receive services from the Buffalo Trace Area Agency on Aging.
3. Effective July 1, 2008, please refer all ABI members who notify you that they wish to select CDO for some or all of their waiver services to the Support Broker at the regional CMHC where the member resides. Specifically, the current case manager will complete the reassessment process (MAP-351), fax the information to the QIO for the level of care, and submit the information to the appropriate CMHC. A new ABI waiver member may choose a traditional case manager to complete the assessment process (which will be forwarded to the Support Broker at the CMHC) or choose the Support Broker with the CMHC. A list of the CMHCs can be found on the Department for Mental Health and Mental Retardation web site at <http://mhmr.ky.gov/CMHC/cmhcclist.asp>.

CMHCs will support members in the Supports for Community Living (SCL) waiver as well as ABI members. AAAs will continue to support members in the Home and Community Based (HCB) waiver.

Should you require more information or assistance, please feel free to contact Leslie Bland, MA, or Diane Pratt at 502-564-5198.

Sincerely,

  
Elizabeth A. Johnson  
Commissioner